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### **All Wheat Acres Planted in the Northwest down 3 percent from 2015**

### **Barley Acres Planted in the Northwest up 1 percent from Last Year**

### **Corn Acres Planted in the Northwest up 17 percent from 2015**

### **All Hay Acres Harvested in the Northwest up slightly from Last Year**

**Wheat** producers in Idaho, expect to plant 1.22 million acres of wheat for harvest this year, up 2 percent from 2015. Winter wheat acres planted are estimated at 750 thousand acres, unchanged from last year. Planted acres of Durum wheat in Idaho, are estimated at 11.0 thousand for 2016, up 10 percent from the previous year. Spring wheat planted acres, excluding Durum, are expected to total 460 thousand acres, up 5 percent from last year. Total acres planted to wheat in Oregon are estimated at 785 thousand acres for 2016, down 6 percent from 2015. Winter wheat accounted for 680 thousand acres, down 8 percent from 2015. Other spring wheat planted is estimated at 105 thousand acres, up 11 percent from a year ago. Washington is estimated to have 2.18 million total acres planted to wheat in 2016, down 4 percent from last year. Winter wheat planted acres are expected to total 1.70 million acres for this year, up 3 percent from 2015. Spring wheat acres planted are estimated at 480 thousand acres, down 24 percent from last year. Nationally, all planted wheat acres are expected to total 49.6 million acres, down 9 percent from 2015. Winter wheat acres are estimated at 36.2 million acres, down 8 percent from 2015. Durum wheat planted acres in the United States for 2016 are estimated at 2.00 million acres, up 3 percent from the previous year. All other spring wheat is estimated at 11.3 million planted acres, down 14 percent from 2015.

Acres planted to barley in Idaho for 2016 are estimated at 560,000 acres, down 3 percent from 2015. Oregon barley growers are expected to seed 60,000 acres, up 22 percent from last year. In Washington, acres planted to barley are estimated at 125,000 acres, up 14 percent from the previous year. Total barley planted acres in the United States is estimated at 3.14 million acres for 2016, down 12 percent from 2015.

**Corn** planted acres in Idaho are expected to total 320,000 acres for 2016, up 14 percent from last year. Oregon is estimated to plant 75,000 acres, up 15 percent from 2015. Washington corn growers are expected to plant 210,000 acres this year, up 24 percent from the previous year. Total acres of corn planted in the United States are expected to total 93.6 million acres, up 6 percent from last year.

**All hay** acres expected to be harvested in Idaho are estimated at 1.33 million acres, unchanged from 2015. In Oregon, all acres to be harvested for hay are estimated at 1.10 million acres, up 4 percent from a year ago. All hay harvested acres in Washington is expected to be 720 thousand acres down 4 percent from last year. Nationally, total acres harvested for hay is estimated at 54.3 million acres, down slightly from the previous year.

# Crop Area Planted — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2014-2016

| Crop and State                   | Area planted  |               |                   |                          |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
|                                  | 2014          | 2015          | 2016 <sup>1</sup> | Percent of previous year |
|                                  | (1,000 acres) | (1,000 acres) | (1,000 acres)     | (percent)                |
| <b>Corn</b>                      |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho.....                       | 320           | 280           | 320               | 114                      |
| Oregon.....                      | 80            | 65            | 75                | 115                      |
| Washington.....                  | 215           | 170           | 210               | 124                      |
| United States .....              | 90,597        | 87,999        | 93,601            | 106                      |
| <b>Oats</b>                      |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho.....                       | 70            | 75            | 55                | 73                       |
| Oregon.....                      | 30            | 35            | 30                | 86                       |
| Washington.....                  | 25            | 18            | 15                | 83                       |
| United States .....              | 2,753         | 3,088         | 2,751             | 89                       |
| <b>Barley</b>                    |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho.....                       | 600           | 580           | 560               | 97                       |
| Oregon.....                      | 50            | 49            | 60                | 122                      |
| Washington.....                  | 115           | 110           | 125               | 114                      |
| United States .....              | 3,031         | 3,558         | 3,140             | 88                       |
| <b>All wheat</b>                 |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho.....                       | 1,271         | 1,200         | 1,221             | 102                      |
| Oregon.....                      | 830           | 835           | 785               | 94                       |
| Washington.....                  | 2,320         | 2,280         | 2,180             | 96                       |
| United States .....              | 56,841        | 54,644        | 49,559            | 91                       |
| <b>Winter wheat <sup>2</sup></b> |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho.....                       | 780           | 750           | 750               | 100                      |
| Oregon.....                      | 750           | 740           | 680               | 92                       |
| Washington.....                  | 1,700         | 1,650         | 1,700             | 103                      |
| United States .....              | 42,409        | 39,461        | 36,216            | 92                       |
| <b>Durum wheat</b>               |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho.....                       | 11            | 10            | 11                | 110                      |
| United States .....              | 1,407         | 1,936         | 1,995             | 103                      |
| <b>Other spring wheat</b>        |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho.....                       | 480           | 440           | 460               | 105                      |
| Oregon.....                      | 80            | 95            | 105               | 111                      |
| Washington.....                  | 620           | 630           | 480               | 76                       |
| United States .....              | 13,025        | 13,247        | 11,348            | 86                       |
| <b>Canola</b>                    |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho.....                       | 35.0          | 28.0          | 25.0              | 89                       |
| Oregon.....                      | 11.0          | 4.3           | 6.5               | 151                      |
| Washington.....                  | 51.0          | 37.0          | 37.0              | 100                      |
| United States .....              | 1,715.0       | 1,777.0       | 1,747.5           | 98                       |
| <b>Sugarbeets <sup>3</sup></b>   |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho.....                       | 170.0         | 171.0         | 174.0             | 102                      |
| Oregon.....                      | 7.5           | 9.2           | 7.0               | 76                       |
| Washington <sup>4</sup> .....    | (NA)          | (NA)          | 2.0               | (X)                      |
| United States .....              | 1,162.5       | 1,158.8       | 1,158.6           | 100                      |

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Intended plantings in 2016 as indicated by reports from farmers.

<sup>2</sup> Includes area planted in preceding fall.

<sup>3</sup> Intended plantings in 2016 as indicated by reports from processors.

<sup>4</sup> Estimates began in 2016.

## All Hay Area Harvested — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2014-2016

| State               | Area harvested |               |                   |                          |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
|                     | 2014           | 2015          | 2016 <sup>1</sup> | Percent of previous year |
|                     | (1,000 acres)  | (1,000 acres) | (1,000 acres)     | (percent)                |
| Idaho .....         | 1,390          | 1,330         | 1,330             | 100                      |
| Oregon .....        | 1,030          | 1,060         | 1,100             | 104                      |
| Washington .....    | 870            | 750           | 720               | 96                       |
| United States ..... | 57,062         | 54,437        | 54,305            | 100                      |

<sup>1</sup> Intended area harvested in 2016 as indicated by reports from farmers.

## Pulse Crop Area Planted — Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and United States: 2014-2016

| Crop and State               | Area planted  |               |                   |                          |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
|                              | 2014          | 2015          | 2016 <sup>1</sup> | Percent of previous year |
|                              | (1,000 acres) | (1,000 acres) | (1,000 acres)     | (percent)                |
| Dry edible beans             |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho .....                  | 125.0         | 120.0         | 120.0             | 100                      |
| Oregon <sup>4</sup> .....    | 8.5           | 9.0           | (NA)              | (X)                      |
| Washington .....             | 127.7         | 110.0         | 120.0             | 109                      |
| United States .....          | 1,701.6       | 1,764.4       | 1,559.0           | 88                       |
| All chickpeas (Garbanzo)     |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho .....                  | 74.0          | 70.0          | 70.0              | 100                      |
| Oregon <sup>4</sup> .....    | 1.1           | 1.0           | (NA)              | (X)                      |
| Washington .....             | 90.0          | 75.0          | 90.0              | 120                      |
| United States .....          | 215.1         | 207.5         | 246.0             | 119                      |
| Small chickpeas <sup>2</sup> |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho .....                  | 29.0          | 32.0          | 30.0              | 94                       |
| Oregon <sup>4</sup> .....    | (D)           | (D)           | (NA)              | (X)                      |
| Washington .....             | 22.0          | 20.0          | 30.0              | 150                      |
| United States .....          | 66.8          | 72.2          | 83.0              | 115                      |
| Large chickpeas <sup>3</sup> |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho .....                  | 45.0          | 38.0          | 40.0              | 105                      |
| Oregon <sup>4</sup> .....    | (D)           | (D)           | (NA)              | (X)                      |
| Washington .....             | 68.0          | 55.0          | 60.0              | 109                      |
| United States .....          | 148.3         | 135.3         | 163.0             | 120                      |
| Lentils                      |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho .....                  | 25.0          | 33.0          | 40.0              | 121                      |
| Washington .....             | 51.0          | 60.0          | 70.0              | 117                      |
| United States .....          | 281.0         | 493.0         | 850.0             | 172                      |
| Dry edible peas              |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho .....                  | 46.0          | 51.0          | 40.0              | 78                       |
| Oregon .....                 | 9.0           | 7.0           | 8.0               | 114                      |
| Washington .....             | 90.0          | 105.0         | 80.0              | 76                       |
| United States .....          | 935.0         | 1,143.0       | 1,423.0           | 124                      |
| Austrian Winter Peas         |               |               |                   |                          |
| Idaho .....                  | 9.0           | 13.0          | 14.0              | 108                      |
| Oregon .....                 | 3.0           | 6.0           | 6.0               | 100                      |
| United States .....          | 24.0          | 34.0          | 31.0              | 91                       |

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

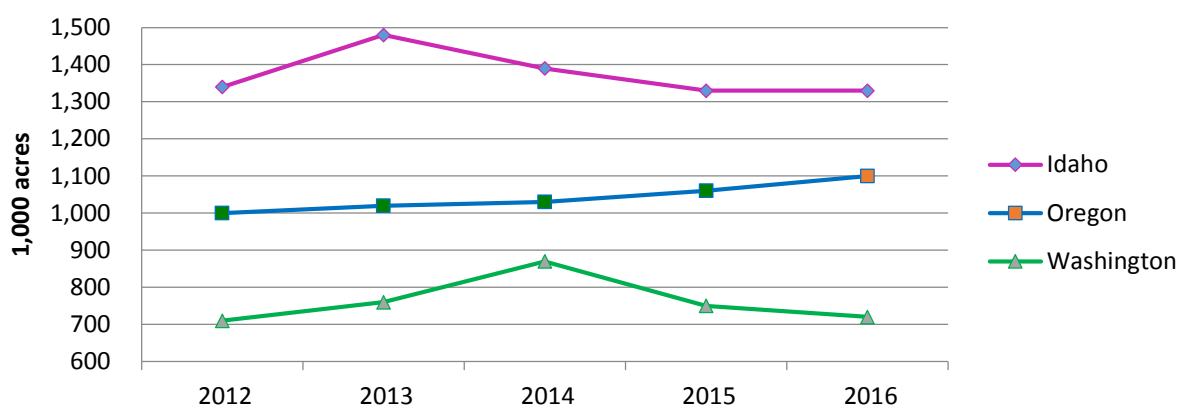
<sup>1</sup> Intended plantings in 2016 as indicated by reports from farmers.

<sup>2</sup> Chickpeas (or Garbanzo beans) smaller than 20/64 inches.

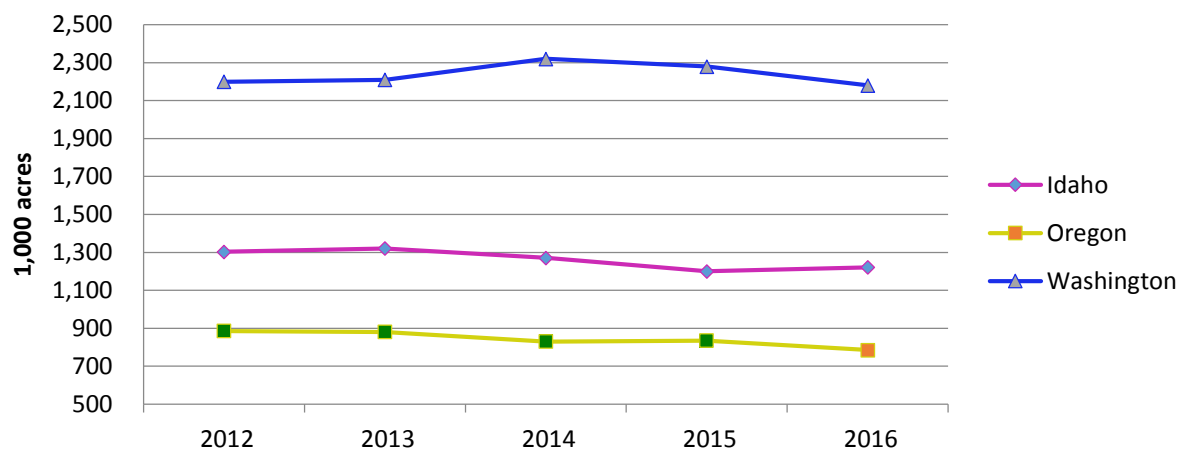
<sup>3</sup> Chickpeas (or Garbanzo beans) larger than 20/64 inches.

<sup>4</sup> Estimates discontinued in 2016.

**All Hay Harvested - Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: 2012 - 2015  
and March Forecast 2016**



**All Wheat Area Planted - Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: 2012 - 2015  
and March Forecast 2016**



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